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(l) No person may alter, remove, deface, destroy, or otherwise unlawfully tamper with any marking, label, placard, or description on a document required by Federal hazardous material transportation law or the regulations issued under Federal hazardous material transportation law. No person may alter, deface, destroy, or otherwise unlawfully tamper with a package, container, motor vehicle, rail car, aircraft, or vessel used for the transportation of hazardous materials.

(m) No person may falsify or alter an exemption or special permit, approval, registration, or other grant of authority issued under this subchapter or subchapter A of this chapter. No person may offer a hazardous material for transportation or transport a hazardous material in commerce under an exemption or special permit, approval, registration or other grant of authority issued under this subchapter or subchapter A of this chapter if such grant of authority has been altered without the consent of the issuing authority. No person may represent, mark, certify, or sell a packaging or container under an exemption or special permit, approval, registration or other grant of authority issued under this subchapter or subchapter A of this chapter if such grant of authority has been altered without the consent of the issuing authority.

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§171.3 Hazardous waste.

- (a) No person may offer for transportation or transport a hazardous waste (as defined in §171.8 of this subchapter) in interstate or intrastate commerce except in accordance with the requirements of this subchapter.
- (b) No person may accept for transportation, transport, or deliver a hazardous waste for which a manifest is required unless that person:
- (1) Has marked each motor vehicle used to transport hazardous waste in accordance with §390.21 of this title even though placards may not be required;
- (2) Complies with the requirements for manifests set forth in §172.205 of this subchapter; and

- (3) Delivers, as designated on the manifest by the generator, the entire quantity of the waste received from the generator or a transporter to:
- (i) The designated facility or, if not possible, to the designated alternate facility;
- (ii) The designated subsequent carrier; or
- (iii) A designated place outside the United States.

NOTE: Federal law specifies penalties up to \$250,000 fine for an individual and \$500,000 for a company and 5 years imprisonment for the willful discharge of hazardous waste at other than designated facilities. 49 U.S.C. 5124.

(c) If a discharge of hazardous waste or other hazardous material occurs during transportation, and an official of a State or local government or a Federal agency, acting within the scope of his official responsibilities, determines that immediate removal of the waste is necessary to prevent further consequence, that official may authorize the removal of the waste without the preparation of a manifest. [NOTE: In such cases, EPA does not require carriers to have EPA identification numbers.]

Note 1: EPA requires shippers (generators) and carriers (transporters) of hazardous wastes to have identification numbers which must be displayed on hazardous waste manifests. See 40 CFR parts 262 and 263. (Identification number application forms may be obtained from EPA regional offices.)

NOTE 2: In 40 CFR part 263, the EPA sets forth requirements for the cleanup of releases of hazardous wastes.

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§171.4 Marine pollutants.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, no person may offer for transportation or transport a marine pollutant, as defined in §171.8, in intrastate or interstate commerce except in accordance with the requirements of this subchapter.